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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for managing a plurality of commands in a plurality of application files of a microchip card, each command of the plurality of commands in each application file of the plurality of application files being associated with corresponding to an access condition that a user must meet so that the command is executed, wherein the method comprises the following steps:

providing a table in the memory of the microchip card for referencing access conditions met by the user to the plurality of commands of the plurality of application files;

when a command in one of the plurality of application files has been accessed by the user, referencing the access condition associated with corresponding to the command as met by the user in the memory table; and

when a user orders execution of the command in one of the plurality of application files, checking whether the access condition associated with corresponding to the command is referenced in the memory table, and initiating execution of the command in case the access condition is referenced in the memory table,

said checking and initiating of the execution comprising:

making a search to see, when the user has ordered execution of the command in one of the plurality of application files, to seek a reference to the access condition corresponding to the command in the memory table,

launching the ordered execution of the command when the access condition is referenced, and

asking the user to satisfy the access condition when said condition is not referenced, and upon satisfying the access condition, referencing the access condition and launching the execution of the ordered execution of the command,

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wherein with n denoting a whole number greater than or equal to two and the user having satisfied n access conditions, the latest n satisfied access conditions are referenced.

- 2. (Cancelled)
- 3. (Cancelled)
- 4. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein when a new access condition is satisfied by the user and said new access condition is not referenced, when n access conditions are referenced, the oldest satisfied reference to an access condition is deleted from the memory and the newly-satisfied access condition is referenced.
- 5. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 or 4, wherein n is equal to the number of access conditions for the plurality of commands of the plurality of application files.
- 6. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 or 4, wherein n is greater than the number of access conditions for the plurality of commands of the plurality of application files.
- 7. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 or 4, wherein n is less than the number of access conditions for the plurality of commands of the plurality of application files.
- 8. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein, when a contact set up to start said command management method is interrupted, all references to access conditions are deleted.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A microchip card adapted to manage a plurality of commands in a plurality of application files of a microchip card, each command of the plurality of commands in each application file of the plurality of application files being associated with corresponding to an access condition that a user must meet so that the command is executed, wherein the microchip card comprises:
 - a memory table which references access conditions met by the user to the plurality of commands of the plurality of application files;

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stored instructions for automatically referencing in the memory table the access condition associated with corresponding to a command when such command has been accessed by the user; and

stored instructions for automatically checking when a user orders execution of the command of one of the plurality of application files whether the access condition associated with corresponding to the command is referenced in the memory table, and for initiating execution of the command in case the access condition is referenced in the memory table,

said instructions for automatically checking and initiating execution comprising instructions for:

means for seeking a reference to the access condition associated with corresponding to the command in the memory table,

means for launching execution of the command when the access condition is referenced,

means for asking the user to satisfy the access condition when the access condition is not referenced, and

means for referencing the access condition and launching execution of the order in case the user satisfies the access condition,

wherein, with n denoting a whole number greater or equal to two and the user having satisfied n access conditions, means for referencing the latest n satisfied access conditions.

- 10. (Cancelled)
- 11. (Cancelled)
- 12. (Previously Presented) The microchip card according to claim 9, comprising, when a new access condition is satisfied by the user, said access condition not being referenced and n access conditions being referenced, means for deleting from the memory the oldest satisfied access condition reference and for referencing the newly-satisfied access condition.

13. (Previously Presented) The microchip card according to claim 9 or 12, in which n is equal to the number of access conditions for the plurality of commands of the plurality of the application files.

- 14. (Previously Presented) The microchip card according to claim 9 or 12 in which n is greater than the number of access conditions for the plurality of commands of the plurality of the application files.
- 15. (Previously Presented) The microchip card according to claim 9 or 12 in which n is less than the number of access conditions for the plurality of commands of the plurality of the application files.
- 16. (Previously Presented) The microchip card according to claim 9, comprising a contact and suitable means for deleting all references to access conditions when said contact is interrupted.
- 17. (Currently Amended) A method for managing a plurality of commands in a plurality of application files of a microchip card, each command of the plurality of commands in each application file of the plurality of application files being associated with corresponding to an access condition that a user must meet so that the command is executed, wherein the method comprises the following steps:

providing a table in the memory of the microchip card for referencing access conditions met by the user to the plurality of commands of the plurality of application files;

- when a command in one of the plurality of application files has been accessed by the user, referencing the access condition associated with corresponding to the command as met by the user in the memory table; and
- when a user orders execution of the command in one of the plurality of application files, checking whether the access condition associated with corresponding to the command is referenced in the memory table, and initiating execution of the command in case the access condition is referenced in the memory table,

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said checking and initiating of the execution comprising:

making a search to see, when the user has ordered execution of the command in one of the plurality of application files, to seek a reference to the access condition corresponding to the command in the memory table,

- launching the ordered execution of the command when the access condition is referenced, and
- asking the user to satisfy the access condition when said condition is not referenced, and upon satisfying the access condition, referencing the access condition and launching the execution of the ordered execution of the command,

wherein when a contact set up to start said command management method is interrupted, all references to access conditions are deleted.

- 18. (Currently Amended) A microchip card adapted to manage a plurality of commands in a plurality of application files of a microchip card, each command of the plurality of commands in each application file of the plurality of application files being associated-with corresponding to an access condition that a user must meet so that the command is executed, wherein the microchip card comprises:
 - a contact and suitable means for deleting all references to access conditions when said contact is interrupted;
 - a memory table which references access conditions met by the user to the plurality of commands of the plurality of application files;
 - stored instructions for automatically referencing in the memory table the access condition associated with corresponding to a command when such command has been accessed by the user; and
 - stored instructions for automatically checking when a user orders execution of the command of one of the plurality of application files whether the access condition associated with corresponding to the command is referenced in the memory table, and for initiating execution of the command in case the access condition is referenced in the memory table,

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said instructions for automatically checking and initiating execution comprising instructions for:

- means for seeking a reference to the access condition associated with corresponding to the command in the memory table,
- means for launching execution of the command when the access condition is referenced,
- means for asking the user to satisfy the access condition when the access condition is not referenced, and
- means for referencing the access condition and launching execution of the order in case the user satisfies the access condition.

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